

In re Application of: Massia et al. )  
Serial No: 10/809,112 )  
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Title: Polysaccharide-Based Polymerizable Hydrogels )



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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 30, 2005, and prior to action on the merits please find attached hereto:

**Amendments to the Specification** beginning on page 2 of this paper,  
**Amendments to the Claims** beginning on page 3 of this paper, and  
**Remarks**, beginning on page 5 of this paper.